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The Candle Light Christmas Services Largely Attended

The annual Christmas candle-light service was held at Mount Hermon Memorial chapel Sunday afternoon with a mixed choir of 30 girls from the Northfield seminary chorus and forty voices from the Mount Hermon choir. Prof. Melvin L. Gallagher, choral director of the Northfield Schools, directed the singing and Carlton W. L'Hommiedue accompanied on the organ. In the evening the same program was presented in Silverthorne hall, at the Seminary. Capacity audiences crowded every seat at both services.

Softly the sweet tones of the seminary choir were heard as they sang "Christmas Song" arranged by Gustav Holst. Then the entire chorus of 70 voices sang "Sing We Noel Once More" arranged by Smith, and the "Bird Carol" by Alfred Whitehead. The processional "Sing We Noel" by Gaul ushered in the chorus as they marched down the center aisle, the girls in their white and black vestments and the boys in black and maroon. A beautiful effect was created amid the lighted candles.

Among the numbers sung were such favorites as "O Come All Ye Faithful," "Silent Night," and "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," in all of which the audience joined. Edgar Butz sang a solo in the song, "The Shepherd's Story," by Clarence Dickinson.

Dwight L. Aldrich

Dwight Lyman Aldrich, a life-long resident of this town died Monday night at the Farren Memorial hospital where he had spent the past two weeks for treatment after a long illness. He was 71 years of age and was the son of Samuel H. and Martha (Chapin) Aldrich of Barnardston. He was born Dec. 29, 1867. He had been employed for many years on the farms of local residents and for the past seven years resided at the home of Mrs. Nellie M. Haley on the Turnpike road. He was single, of fine character and always of a kindly disposition. He attended the Unitarian church.

Surviving is a brother, Otis, of Mattapan, and a sister, Mrs. Cora Bell Summer of Orange. The funeral was held Thursday afternoon at Kidder's funeral parlors.

Mrs. Tacy W. Atkinson

Word was received here Sunday of the death of Mrs. Tacy W. Atkinson on last Saturday morning at the home of her daughter in Philadelphia. Mrs. Atkinson was a former resident here and resided on Glenwood Ave. She came to Northfield many years ago to give her children an education in the Northfield Schools after her husband who was a physician in Turkey had been slain in the Armenian massacres. She was active in the work of the local Congregational church and identified with the Sunday school and the various societies. As an author and writer she specialized on Bible exposition and a few years ago published "A Guide to the Study of Revelation," many copies of which were sold in Northfield.

Surviving are two daughters, Alice and Harriett. One son, who had prepared for the ministry and was about to begin his life's work, died only a few years ago.

Visitor: What makes the milk look so blue?

Dairymen: Being separated from the cream.

County Selectmen Will Talk It Over At South Deerfield

The Selectmen of Northfield have been notified to attend a meeting of all selectmen of the county at the Bloody Brook House at South Deerfield tomorrow (Saturday) evening at 6:30 o'clock when dinner will be served to put them in prime condition to consider some twenty-five topics of interest to every community. John Hasselton, secretary of the Franklin county association announces that Axel E. Zetterman, executive secretary of the state association will be present and lead in the consideration of many matters.

Among items for discussion will be legislation affecting the local self-government, biennial sessions of the General Court, distribution of the proceeds of the gas tax, Old Age assistance law and administration, taxation as provided for in the General Laws, laws pertaining to the construction and maintenance or supervision of highways, cooperative undertakings with the federal government or agencies.

The association will discuss cooperative undertaking with MSC work of and reports of any recess commission of the General Court, provision for the pre-determination of wages in town employment, problem of highway safety within towns, disposition of revenue received from taxes on alcoholic beverages and upon receipts from racing, and control of outdoor advertising within the provisions of Article 50 of the state constitution.

Here's hoping our local selectmen will obtain some real valuable information.

Auto Insurance Passes Scrutiny

Many auto owners are receiving notices from their insurance companies that they will be refused auto insurance for 1938.

City papers tell of thousands of drivers who can't get 1938 insurance.

A new rule requires an insurance company which has taken 1937 insurance on a person's car and does not wish to take it in 1938, to notify the person so he can try elsewhere. Insurance companies are trying to avoid re-issuing insurance to drivers who have been in accidents.

This is part of a campaign of the insurance companies to pick only the cream of the business. Owners should be aware of the fact that a law passed last winter gives them right to appeal such refusal if their appeal is made within ten days of the receipt of the notice. There is a special blank furnished by the Dept. of Insurance at 100 Nashua street, Boston, on which the appeal is made.

It is said that several motorists from Northfield are having their applications held up for scrutiny.

Local Bowlers Are In Second Place

That group of local dignitaries who style themselves as the Northfield bowling team and hie away to Greenfield each Wednesday evening to enjoy the sport still find themselves in second place in the County league. This week Wednesday they played the South Deerfield team. Of the games played they have won 27 and lost 17. They hold high team honors of 1743 and 635 for high string. Come on boys, get down to hard work and put Northfield on top.

Christmas Boxes To Befriend Needy Sent From Here

Last week saw shipments made by freight to institutions and missions for deserving purposes by local interests who have the vision, kindness and appreciation of helping whenever and wherever imperative needs abound.

Three large boxes were sent to Crossnore school in the mountain district of North Carolina where the institution ministers to nearly 200 children, many orphans, and supplies the medical and hospital facilities to a large district. Other boxes were sent to Alabama by local church interests and from the seminary, Miss Dorothy Johnson, Committee on Welfare, mailed boxes, one to a former seminary student, Miss Amy Chadwick, who conducts a day nursery for colored children in Atlanta and another box to the mountain folks in Hindman, Kentucky.

Other packages were sent by groups and persons to a number of institutions and individuals. Morgan Memorial and the Salvation Army were given much materials for their industrial departments. Within Northfield the wants of the needy have been well supplied. Through the district nurse many requests have been met. Considerable furniture was offered and placed where needed by local individuals.

Last Thanksgiving day packages were sent to several worthy recipients and the same will again be done this Christmas. The local Salvation Army fund and other charities have been drawn upon to provide requirements. About \$25 contributed now by some generous person would provide many a worthy child vouchered for by the Editor of the Press with "toys for joy" at this Christmas season.

Northfield Grange

At a regular meeting of Northfield Grange last Tuesday night, Lawrence Quinlan resigned as secretary for the coming year and Mrs. A. H. Farnum was elected to fill the vacancy. The resignation of Edward C. Bolton as treasurer-elect for the coming year was read and accepted and A. H. Farnum was chosen to fill the vacancy. The resignation of A. H. Farnum as member of the executive committee was offered and Edward C. Bolton was elected to the executive committee for a period of three years.

Worthy Master Bolton announced that the next meeting of Grange would be neighbor's night, two other Granges have been invited and will furnish a short program. Charles M. Gardner of Westfield, High Priest Demeter will be present and will be the principal speaker of the evening.

The committee on refreshments named consists of Mrs. Minnie Skinner, Mrs. Florence C. George and Mrs. Clara E. Hale.

Newspaper advertising has fallen off about three per cent over last year which is a good indication of the decline of retail business. However, it is apparently now on the increase as the prospect of business brightens with the holiday season and coming new year.

Construction on the new Calvin Coolidge Memorial bridge between Hadley and Northampton over the Connecticut river has begun. It will cost a million and a quarter dollars, and T. Stuart and Son of Milton have the contract. The work will give employment to over 300 men and will take over a year to complete.

More than 1,500,000 account numbers for old age insurance have been issued these past 12 months in Massachusetts, representing nearly 28 per cent of the state's total population, John Pearson, New England regional director of the Social Security Board, revealed in marking the first anniversary since the Treasury department issued orders putting the administration into effect.

Scholarly Caller: And have you any particular preference in the way of books?
Daughter of the House: Well, I prefer the blue ones, but I don't mind red.

Without economizing.
Yes, generations which succeed Should find this life a honey—
There's nothing much they're going to need
Except a lot of money.
By George Ryan in the Boston Herald

The Color Parade Of 1938 Auto Plates Will Soon Be Seen

Every motorist, the country over is now interested in getting his auto license plates for 1938. In another two weeks the change from 1937 plates to those of 1938 will be necessary if you want to drive your car on the highway on January first and thereafter.

With the difficulty existing at present in securing the compulsory insurance requirements it looks like a reduction in the number of license plates granted this month. A considerable number of motorists in Northfield have already received their plates and some are fortunate enough to be in the five numeral class. Massachusetts plates will be of maroon with white letters.

It will be interesting to observe the cars coming from other states with their plates of many hues and combinations of colors. Our good friends from Florida will have plates of canary yellow and midnight blue while those coming from Ontario, Canada will sport orange and peacock blue, the gaudiest of all plates.

The color scheme of plates from the New England states and other states nearby seen most on the streets of Northfield, especially in the good old summer time are to be as follows:

Maine Green on aluminum
New Hampshire White on green
Massachusetts White on maroon
Connecticut Black on aluminum
Rhode Island White on black
New York Yellow on black
New Jersey Aluminum on black
Penn. Blue on golden yellow
Ohio Black on white
Michigan Black on green
Maryland White on green

The Lighted Trees

If you want to get into the spirit of the Christmas season, go out and take a walk and see the beautiful lighted Christmas trees on the Seminary campus near Stone hall. It presents a beautiful sight and can be seen at a distance from many vantage points. Then there is the fine and large tree on the hotel lawn brilliantly illuminated. Also go down Parker street and see the twin trees on the lawn of the Electric light company. Many smaller private displays may be noted about town but the list is not sufficiently complete to be fully recorded now. What a fine thing it would be if everybody everywhere would light and festoon their homes in token of the Christmas season.

China Needs Relief

From China comes a call for help. Relief is needed to alleviate the suffering of hunger, want and privation, not only of a few in a restricted territory but of millions in the vast area. The undeclared war with Japan is leaving destruction in its progress and in the battle areas the situation with human beings is daily becoming more critical. Refugees are being added to daily and the problem is one of food, shelter and clothing. The China Famine Relief is incorporated under American laws with James M. Speers of New York, chairman of an American citizens committee of over a hundred prominent citizens. They will be glad to receive any special offerings with the National City Bank of New York as depository. Address China Famine Relief, 105 East 22nd Street, New York City.

PLANNING

The future generations ought To have a perfect cinch, In view of all the things we've bought, Their happiness to clinch. They'll never have to worry much

For homes with garden plots, For scenic roads and dams and such,

Or recreation spots. For future generations we Have planned and planned and planned,

Unhampered by frugality Or thoughts of cash in hand, And pleasant schemes we've gambled through,

As happy as a pup, So all they'll ever have to do Is later settle up.

We've done an awful lot on tick. It's really quite surprising How blithely we have turned the trick

Without economizing. Yes, generations which succeed Should find this life a honey—

There's nothing much they're going to need Except a lot of money.

By George Ryan in the Boston Herald

"Peace On Earth, Good Will to Men"
If he could speak to us today
What, think you, would our Master say?
"From man to man a pathway find
Love-trodden and divinely kind.
Let discord, hatred, warfare cease.
Remember now the Prince of Peace
Who came to change a world grown cold,
To golden rule from rule of gold;
And spread abroad a wealth of good,
In world-wide, wholesome brotherhood."
—G. M. P.

Athletic Schedule For Mount Hermon Is Now Complete

Nearly 350 students of Mount Hermon school have become candidates for the various sports of the school and have had preliminary practice. From this number director of physical education A. B. Forslund has been making his selections and also announcing the schedule for six of the winter sports:

Swimming: Feb. 12, Mass State freshmen at Amherst; 19, Gardner high at Mt. Hermon; 23, Deerfield at Deerfield.

Basketball: Feb. 19, Hermon at Vermont Academy; 26, Willis at Hermon; Deerfield, date pending.

Wrestling: Amherst frosh at Hermon, Feb. 12; 19, Hermon at Loomis; 26, Suffield at Hermon.

Hockey: Jan. 29, Hermon at Willis; Feb. 9, Hermon at Vermont Academy; 12, Deerfield at Hermon.

Fencing: Jan. 29, Yale frosh at New Haven; Feb. 19, Hermon at Loomis; an informal meet with Amherst pending.

Skiing: Jan. 22, Hermon at Vermont Academy; dates with Deerfield and Putney pending.

The following coaches will supervise the sports: Basketball, Prior, Daggett and Mirtz; Hockey, Forslund, Baxter and Horton; swimming, Henriksen and Cutter; skiing, Burnett; wrestling, Putnam; fencing, Mangano; badminton, Bayley; figure skating, Covell; junior league basketball, Niblock; and junior league skiing, Burnett and Bisson.

Christmas Greens

Since early Pilgrim days Massachusetts homemakers have expressed the Yuletide spirit with decorations of forest greens. These decorative pieces have come to be as important at Christmas time as the tree itself and the gaily wrapped gifts.

Christmas decorations are inexpensive and easily made from evergreens and other products of the woodland. A new leaflet published by the extension service at Massachusetts State college gives full directions for gathering the material, putting it together, and adding decorative berries, cones and fruits.

SOUTH VERNON

Services at the South Vernon church Sunday: Worship at 10:45; church school, 12:15; song service, evening at 7:00, followed by sermon by Rev. George A. Gray, pastor. Choir rehearsal at 8:15, all willing to assist in the Christmas music are urged to attend the rehearsal.

W. N. Dunklee has returned home from the hospital in Springfield somewhat improved in his health.

Mrs. Ruth Holton and Mrs. Gertrude Gibson journeyed to Worcester Tuesday to attend the Grange Lecturers' conference.

Edwin S. Brailey continues to be seriously ill with heart trouble at the Vernon Home.

Thursday evening at 7:00 o'clock, mid-week service at the Vernon Home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dunklee called upon their son, Ernest W. Dunklee at the Brattleboro hospital Sunday where he is gradually recovering from an operation, although still very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Underwood and daughter, Gertrude, of Gloucester called upon Mrs. Laura Bruce Sunday. Mrs. Bruce is another daughter and has been quite ill.

Riding Instructress At Stoneleigh-Prospect Thrown From Horse

Miss Cornelia R. Lum, riding instructress at the Stoneleigh-Prospect school died at the Franklin county hospital Monday evening from injuries received in being thrown from her horse when he slipped on a bit of ice Monday morning. Miss Lum had gone out for a ride on a rear road accompanied by two students of the school.

She was well known here and had many friends who extend their sympathy to her parents who reside at Chatham, N. J. In falling Miss Lum struck on her head and never recovered consciousness. Picked up by passing autoists she was rushed to the hospital and her companions returned to the school to report the sad affair. Miss Lum was an excellent horsewoman and was with the Stoneleigh-Prospect school for the past two years. Her body was taken to her home for funeral services and burial.

"Whistling Swans"

Have you seen any "whistling swans" on the Connecticut river recently? Reports are that some residents have seen them between Hinsdale and Brattleboro. Luman R. Nelson of Winchester has identified some of the birds which were considered almost extinct. The bird is larger than a goose and is white with a black head. It has an unusually long "S" shaped neck. Their appearance has been widely commented upon in the newspapers.

LEGAL

Mortgagee's Sale Of Real Estate

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Edward C. Gerriah to Milton A. Perham, dated November 11, 1910, recorded with Franklin County Registry of Deeds, Book 565, Page 36, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at public auction at two o'clock, p. m. on the fourth day of January, 1938, on the premises hereinafter described all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, viz:

A certain tract of land, with the buildings thereon, situate in Northfield, Franklin County, Massachusetts, bounded as follows:

Beginning at a point on the highway from Vernon to Barnardston, at the south-west corner of said tract; thence running easterly along land of the estate of Stephen G. Wilkes to the land between the Boston & Maine and the Central Vermont Railroads, over the private crossing heretofore used.

Containing about 20 acres and being the same premises conveyed to said mortgagee, thereto O. Perham by deed dated October 31, 1910.

Excepting and reserving however a right of way through the above tract to the land between the Boston & Maine and the Central Vermont Railroads, over the private crossing heretofore used.

Tract No. 1 — Beginning at the south-west corner of said tract, at the north-west corner of land of Emma J. Witt, on the east side of the highway leading from Vernon, Vermont to Barnardston, Massachusetts; thence easterly on the north line of said Witt's land 400 feet; thence northerly on land of Edward C. Gerriah 100 feet; thence westerly on said Gerriah land 400 feet to the said highway; thence southerly on said highway 100 feet to the place of beginning.

Tract No. 2 — Beginning at the south-west corner of said tract, at the north-west corner of land of Emma J. Witt, on the east side of the highway leading from Vernon, Vermont to Barnardston, Massachusetts; thence easterly on the north line of said Witt's land 100 feet to his northeast corner; thence easterly to the right of way of the Conn. River Railroad Company; thence southerly by said Railroad Company land to said Witt land; thence westerly by said Witt land to the place of beginning.

Said premises will be sold subject to any and all taxes, assessments and any other municipal liens that may be thereon, valid as against said mortgage.

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WILLIAM G. LORD

Assignee of said mortgage and present holder of the same.

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PERSONALS

William D. Miller of Main St. was notified by telegram late Saturday afternoon of the death of his brother Harry S. Miller at Windsor, Vt. With Mrs. Miller they went to Windsor to remain for the funeral which was held Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary A. Bardwell has closed her home on Main street and will spend the winter season in Brookline.

Rev. J. L. Peacock of Tarboro, N. C., will come north for the Christmas holidays and with other members of the family hold a reunion at Christmas at the home of his son, Arthur, who is a practicing physician at Columbus, N. J.

Mrs. N. Fay Smith will spend the Christmas week with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smith, at Swampscott.

Miss Harlene Carne, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. Stanley Carne, is at home for the Christmas vacation from her studies at Wilson college, Chambersburg, Pa.

Harmony Lodge of Masons held their usual regular meeting Wednesday evening in Masonic hall. The 12th lodge of instruction will be held with the lodge at Shelburne Falls, Dec. 28.

Miss Florence Warriner, formerly of this town, but who now resides in Brattleboro, spent several days this week at Crane cottage and called upon many friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry James and family spent last Sunday with friends in Worcester.

Rev. Lester P. White, pastor of the Mt. Hermon chapel, spoke on the Place of Wonder in Life at the meeting of the Fireside club of the Second Congregational church Sunday.

Hugh D. Maydole, one of Northfield's well known summer residents, with a home on Myrtle street, which, with Mrs. Maydole they occupy each summer, was summoned to Steuben, N. Y., last week in the death of his father, John W. Maydole, age 88, who had suffered a broken hip. The elder Mr. Maydole visited here a few years ago and made the acquaintance of many.

Mrs. A. H. Wright, president of the Fortnightly entertained the officers of the club and committee members at her home last Friday evening. Miss Christine Boyd of Greenfield was guest gave a talk on "Bells." Refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pfefferlee with Mrs. A. E. Lyman left on Thursday to spend the winter in Florida.

Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Wright and Miss June, spent last Sunday on a visit to the Doctor's sister and husband's home, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jackson, Naugatuck, Ct.

Miss Louise Whitman is home for the Christmas vacation from her studies at Bay Path Institute, Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Rickert and family of Glenwood avenue, will spend the Christmas vacation with relatives in New York.

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LOCALS

Ford News, an illustrated magazine has been sent to many here with the compliments of Spencer Bros. It is the November issue and contains, besides stories, a full description of the new Ford automobiles.

Students of the Seminary heard a talk on skiing and ski equipment by Marston Burnett, skiing instructor, in Silverthorne hall Tuesday morning. Skiing promises to be a popular sport with the young women this winter.

If you want to enjoy a good movie see *Second Honeymoon* at the Auditorium, Brattleboro, this week-end. Tyrone Power and Loretta Young are again co-starred in the production. It's a love story which you will enjoy.

Miss Blanche Corser is moving into the lower apartment of the Keets home on Main street.

Mount Hermon school's Christmas vacation begins Saturday, Dec. 18 and ends Monday, Jan. 3. Seminary vacation begins on Dec. 18 also, but ends on Tuesday, Jan. 4.

At a meeting of the faculty of the seminary, Principal Mira B. Wilson gave the third of her Bible talks based on the address which she delivered at the Young Woman's conference last summer.

Students of the seminary, majoring in music, enjoyed a studio hour Wednesday afternoon in Music hall.

At the meeting of the Fortnightly club today (Friday) at Alexander hall, Miss Marion Holton and Mrs. Walter Hyde will give a description of the Book Fair recently held at Brattleboro. Mrs. Harold Bigelow speaks on the making of Christmas greens.

In Probate court last week, Edward S. Rankin of Newark, N. J. was granted letters of administration upon the estate of the late Henry W. Rankin of Northfield.

Middlebury college, of which our Dr. Paul D. Moody is president announces its winter carnival will be held February 18 and 19. Skiing will be the prevailing sport.

It is reported that a company of CCC boys from Woodsville, N. H., will be moved to the former CCC Camp 1153 this month and that the veterans camp who now occupy the place will be returned to Camp Devens.

The Northfield basketball team journeyed to Northampton Monday evening for a game with the "Y" team but were defeated by a score of 61-30. Buffum scored 13 points for the locals.

On the afternoon of Jan. 20, a benefit performance will be given at the Metropolitan Opera House for the work of the Grenfell mission in Labrador. The opera will be *Stegfried*. Lady Grenfell is now in New York and was given a tea and reception last week by friends of the work.

During the hunting season last week two hunters became lost in the woods about Northfield. Russell Alden of Athol became lost between Mount Grace and Northfield. Robert Anderson found his way into the so-called Northfield swamp. Searches by friends were made for them and they were found after suffering the experience of a cold night in the wilds. The hunting and chasing of deer sometimes lead hunters into unknown quarters.

It is not likely that any arrangement will be made for the holding of the President's birthday ball in Northfield on Jan. 29. The local committee officials feel that it should be best to unite with the event when held in Greenfield as a county proposition.

November rains, like those of October doubled the normal precipitation. November produced over seven inches of rainfall and the total for the year of over 47 is far over the usual amount. Temperatures ran downward from the high of 63 on November 2nd and 3rd to the low of 10 on the 23rd.

Lewis Wood still retains his interest in sea-scouting and last week attended a gathering of leaders at Springfield.

The local basketball team engaged in a game with the K. of C. at Greenfield Wednesday evening but suffered a defeat.

Troop 1, Girl Scouts, met on Tuesday with Lieut. Potts. Capt. Thomas directed the tenderfeet and Lieut. Potts taught the others signalling. The troop were pleased to accept the invitation of Troop 2 to their Christmas party.

Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Frank A. Goodwin, calls the attention of parents and school authorities to cooperate in the elimination of accidents from sled-

ding or coasting when the snow comes. Children should be told to keep off the streets and highways and only use such places as may be determined and set aside for the purpose by city and town authorities.

Fred A. Holton of the local selectmen is a member of the Legislative committee of the State Selectmen's association and will attend a meeting of the committee at Greenfield Thursday afternoon preliminary to the meeting at South Deerfield Saturday of the county selectmen.

The midweek meeting usually held each Friday evening at the Northfield Farms schoolhouse will be omitted this week. We urge everyone to attend the Christmas program given by the children of that school that evening, Sunday evening at 6:45. Sidney Marcy who has recently returned from Costa Rica will will speak. All invited.

College Education Discussed At Seminary

In Gould hall last Friday evening the question was discussed as a topic "Why go to college" by speakers representing Mount Holyoke college, Amherst, the Seminary and Mount Hermon school.

The panel debate was held with the full attendance of seniors and faculty as the audience.

The speakers were Dorothy Sturns '41, Alice Van Ess '41, Mt. Holyoke; Winfield Firman, '41, and David Sherman, '41, Amherst; Virginia Baker and Jocelyn Donaldson of the Seminary; and Charles Taber and Robert Lord of Mt. Hermon. Dorothy Smith was chairman and Eva Freeman, sponsor.

Dorothy Sturns opened the discussion by speaking in behalf of a college education because it

prepared one for a job. Virginia Baker then spoke of the social development possible in college stating that an all around personality was developed.

Alice Van Ess, a Northfield seminary graduate said that college prepared one for life intellectually and culturally and gave one the poise to meet life's situa-

tions more successfully. Charles Taber said that those who go to college for extra-curricular activities receive valuable education. Jocelyn Donaldson and Robert Lord brought out the unfavorable aspects of college life but admitted genuine values. An open forum for questions followed.

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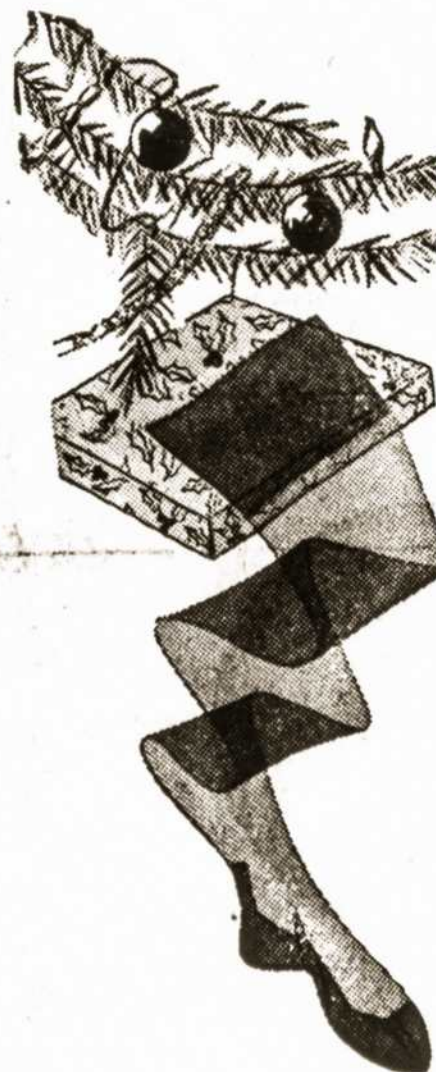
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Friday, December 17, 1937

EDITORIAL

Alf M. Landon, the Republican candidate for election in the last Presidential campaign, but who was defeated by the Democratic candidate, now President Roosevelt, was a caller at the White House recently. It shows that in a democratic country rivals in a political contest can be friends and unite in a general way for the nation's welfare. Incidentally about the same time Mr. Landon, who is still a potent force in the ranks of the Republican party made it known that he is not a candidate for the Presidency in the next campaign. Mr. Landon is to be admired for his liberalism and broadmindedness and he affords a shining example to many other politicians to go and do likewise.

The spirit of a depression seem to be in the atmosphere and without an applied reason unless it is the waning of confidence over our political leadership, the fear prompted by labor unrest, the soaring of commodity prices, or the possible curtailment of industrial effort. Whatever the cause our people are still mindful of the last serious and real depression and are taking no chances. They are going conservative; want no relief and ask only for the opportunity to earn an honest living. Meanwhile the present decline of trade is much more marked than those of the other first class nations. In the midst of plenty, we sacrifice, while Washington fiddles.

The State of Vermont is urging a more uniform system of town reports, so readable that every-

one may understand. Individuality is not to be denied but they should be similar to convey an understanding by the inhabitants. The Vermont Chamber of Commerce has a special committee to aid in the matter and make awards for commendable presentation of facts in the printed page. Massachusetts has more or less followed in its towns a uniform annual report without urging, but much remains yet to be done to have them understandable. The Northfield town report of last year received much favorable comment in its appearance and arrangement and was widely used as a model by other towns.

CHURCH SERVICES

Trinitarian Church
Rev. W. Stanley Carne

Sunday school at ten o'clock for Bible study; at 11, preaching service, when the choir will sing "Praise the Lord, All Ye Nations" also "Thy Light is Come." The sermon subject, "Christ's Witness of Himself." Sunday school at the Farms at 2:30; at 7:45, service at the Farms; at 7:00 the Senior Endeavor will meet. At 8, preaching service at the vestry.

Tuesday, Jan. 11, the next meeting of the Bible study class. At 6:30, the monthly brotherhood supper; Prof. H. H. Morse will give an address on "Japan and China."

Thursday at 7:30, the weekly prayer service, followed by the choir rehearsal.

Christmas party for the children of the school on Thursday at 3:30 o'clock.

Sunday, Dec. 26 at 4:30 there will be a Christmas pageant entitled "The Starflower" which will be presented in the church by the school.

South Church
Rev. Mary Andrews Conner

SUNDAY—The morning service will be omitted, and instead the service will be held in the evening, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. This will be a pageant called "Search for the Holy Grail" in which King Arthur sees the "Holy Night" in a dream and then sends his knights in quest of the Perfect Gift for the Christ. The town's people are all invited to participate in the beauty of the pageant.

The Church Family Christmas party will be held in the vestry

Thursday evening, Dec. 23. Supper will be served at 6:30 o'clock after which there will be the usual program and Christmas festivities.

St. Patrick's Church
Rev. James I. Mitchell

Masses, first Sunday of the month 8:30 a. m. Every Sunday, 10:30 a. m.

Vernon Union Church

Christmas services with special Christmas music at 10:45. Christmas service at 8:00 p. m. Candle lighting service, Pageant and Christmas music.

The Adventist church from South Vernon participating. Twenty persons are taking part in the service and this service has become a permanent part of the Christmas celebration.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to relatives and friends for the sympathy and kindnesses shown us in our sorrow and trouble. We wish to thank especially, State Trooper Lawrence Irving, Constable Herman Miner, Fire Chief Galen Stearns, Bennie Jones and Robert Abbott, as well as many others who so willingly gave of the services.

Mrs. Edward L. Warnock and Daughter, Fay

Fairhurst - Judd

A marriage of interest locally where both are well known, took place in Greenfield Dec. 6, when Isabelle Davenport Judd became the wife of Attorney Charles Fairhurst, the wedding taking place in All Souls church.

Mrs. Fairhurst is the daughter of ex-Senator and Mrs. William A. Davenport and Mr. Fairhurst is a former district attorney of Franklin county, presently a Greenfield selectman and has been successful in the practice of law in that place over a period of years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Fairhurst are prominent socially in Greenfield, where they will make their home.

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"ARIZONA GUNFIGHTER"
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Mon. - Tue. - Wed. Dec. 20-21-22
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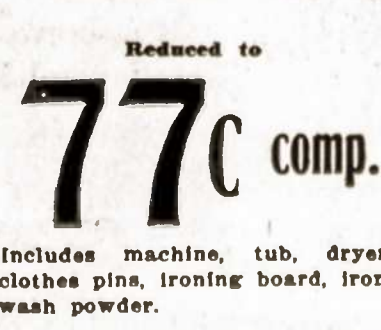
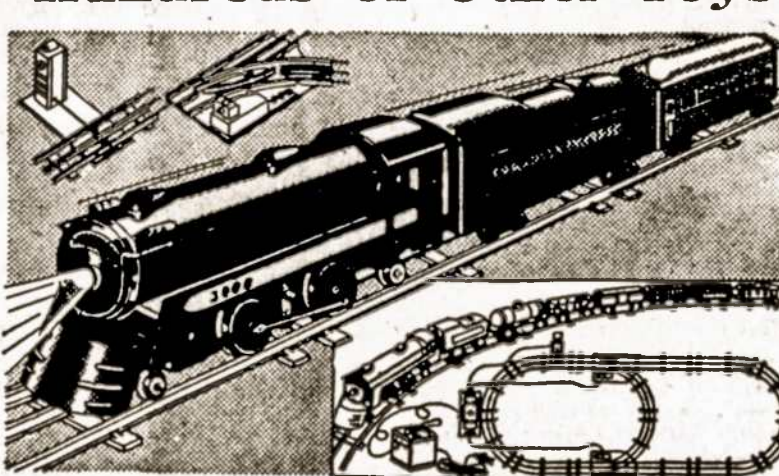
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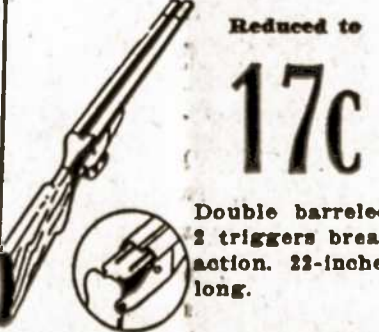
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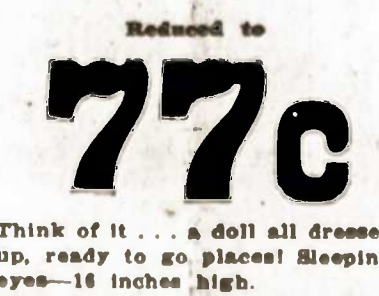
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